



# County of Los Angeles **CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE**

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**WILLIAM T FUJIOKA**  
Chief Executive Officer

July 1, 2008

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
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Dear Supervisors:

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS: TERMINATE CONTRACT  
FOR CONVENIENCE  
PROJECT ID NO. RMD4146016  
PARKWAY TREE TRIMMING, MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 4, CYCLE H  
UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES OF EAST LOS ANGELES,  
FLORENCE-FIRESTONE, AND AN AREA SOUTH OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD  
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1, 2, AND 4)  
(3 VOTES)**

**SUBJECT**

Terminate for convenience a contract previously awarded by your Board for the trimming of parkway trees in the unincorporated communities of East Los Angeles, Florence-Firestone, and an area south of the City of Lakewood.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:**

Terminate for convenience the contract with Grace Building Maintenance Co., Inc., for Parkway Tree Trimming, Maintenance District 4, Cycle H, in the unincorporated communities of East Los Angeles, Florence-Firestone, and an area south of the City of Lakewood.

**PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

On January 15, 2008, your Board awarded a contract in the amount of \$134,480.00 to Grace Building Maintenance Co., Inc., for the trimming of parkway trees.

The purpose of the recommended action to terminate the contract for convenience is due to the fact that the contractor was not able to start the work prior to the bird nesting season, which runs from mid-March through September. The Department of Public Works will readvertise this project at a later date to complete the work outside of the bird nesting season.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs that we provide Service Excellence (Goal 1), Fiscal Responsibility (Goal 4), and Community Services (Goal 6). The recommended action will allow the Department of Public Works to reschedule this tree trimming project.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The cost to readvertise the project will be minimal.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

The contract documents provide for the termination for convenience of the contract by your Board if such action is in the best interest of the County.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

In accordance with Section 15378(b)(4), of the State of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, approval of the recommended action does not constitute a project and is not subject to the requirements of CEQA.

### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Delaying the project will not impact the Department of Public Works' ability to maintain and ensure the controlled growth of the Countywide Urban Forest.

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**CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works,  
Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'W. T. Fujioka', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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c: County Counsel  
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